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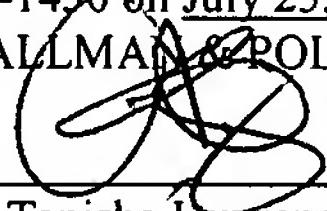
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1. A properly signed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application from the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and International filing date;
2. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US); and
3. A check in the amount of \$1,145.00 is attached to cover the five-month extension fee of \$1,080.00 and \$65.00 for surcharge for providing the declaration later than the appropriate 32 months from the priority date.

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

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